



# Indiana State Excise Police News Release

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## **Indiana State Excise Police Conduct Tobacco Enforcement Initiative**

On Wednesday, August 20, 2008, Officers from the Indiana State Excise Police District #1 office located in Michigan City, conducted tobacco enforcement in the city of Elkhart. Officers found the following violations at tobacco retailers throughout Elkhart:

- Food Mart and Storage on 2701 W. Lexington was cited for failing to display a tobacco sales certificate and for not having proper 18 to purchase tobacco signage.
- Dollar Store on 1007 W. Franklin St. was cited for not having proper 18 to purchase tobacco signage.
- Corner Stop on 600 W. Marion St. was cited for not having proper 18 to purchase tobacco signage.
- Burger Dairy on 1403 W. Franklin St. was cited for not having proper 18 to purchase tobacco signage.
- Franklin Citgo on 1589 W. Franklin St. was cited for not having proper 18 to purchase tobacco signage.
- Chicago Station Marathon on 22013 State Road 120 East was cited for not having proper 18 to purchase tobacco signage and for possession of untaxed cigarettes.

- Marathon Food Mart on 1850 E. Bristol was cited for not having proper 18 to purchase tobacco signage.
- Nader Food Mart on 401 Middlebury Street was cited for not having proper 18 to purchase tobacco signage.
- Handy Spot on 2701 Prairie St. was cited for not having proper 18 to purchase tobacco signage.
- A&M Food Mart on 23719 US 33 E. was cited for not having proper 18 to purchase tobacco signage and for failing to display it's tobacco sales certificate.
- Corner Mart on 935 N. Napanee St. was cited for not having proper 18 to purchase tobacco signage.
- Main Stop and Go on 2400 S. Main St. was cited for not having proper 18 to purchase tobacco signage.

All together 12 retailers were cited. Two cartons (400 cigarettes) were found to be untaxed during this investigation. The Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission will decide on the sanctions levied against the retailers.

The Indiana State Excise Police will continue efforts to curb underage consumption of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. To report illegal activities at alcohol or tobacco retailers please call the Excise Police at 219-872-6041.